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DR. FERRY OFFICIALLY ACCEPTS THE PRESIDENCY OF HAMILTON

Dean of Williams College a Very Popular Man Among Students—Comes Highly Recommended

ASSUMES DUTIES JULY 1

Dr. Frederick Carlos Ferry, Dean of Williams College, has officially accepted the presidency of Hamilton College and will enter upon his duties as president around July 1. This announcement followed closely upon the action of the Trustees on April 23, granting to the Presidential Committee power to choose the new president. Last Thursday it was made public that after consideration of nearly fifty candidates, the Committee had offered the position to Dr. Ferry and that he had accepted.

It is as Dean of Williams that Dr. Ferry has shown the characteristics which augur well for a successful presidency. He dealt with the students fairly and firmly, and showed exceptional executive ability combined with strong personal attractions. He is a good speaker, a noted geometrician, and stands high in educational circles.

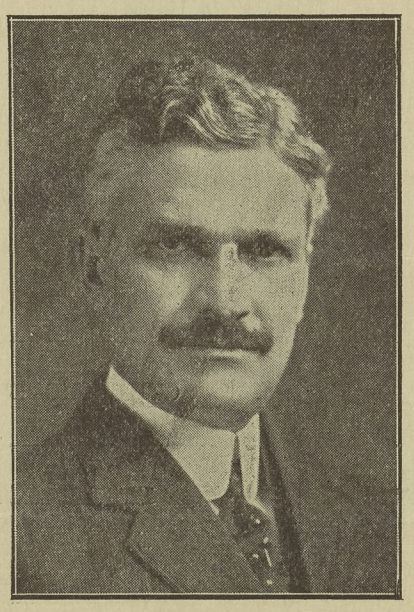
"It was the frequent comment among the Williams College students yesterday that no other member of the faculty commanded so much genuine respect." This extract from the Springfield Republican demonstrates Dr. Ferry's popularity with the students.

Dr. Ferry's Career

Dr. Ferry was born in Bamtree, Vt., on January 22, 1868. He received his academic preparation in Saratoga Springs under Edward N. Jones, '83, who was principal of the academy. In '91 he graduated from Williams, valedictorian of his class with the highest grade of scholarship ever attained there. He is a member of the Theta Delta Chi and Phi Beta Kappa.

Following three years as instructor in Williams, he took a year at Harvard, three years at Clark University, and a year abroad in the Universities of Berlin, Leipzig, and Gottingen, and in Norway in the University of Christiana. He came back to Williams as an assisitant professor in mathematics in 1899. In three years he was raised to a full professorship and made Dean.

He is a member of several important educational boards and committees and was president of the National Conference of Committees on Standards of Colleges and Secondary Schools. He is well known for articles and treatises which he has published on mathematics. He holds an A. B. and A. M. from Williams, an A. M. from Harvard, a Ph. D. from Clark University and an honorary Sc. D. from Colgate.



DR. FREDERICK CARLOS FERRY

In accepting the new position, Dr. Ferry did so with all his heart. He has been on the Hill, knows the history and aims of the college and confidently believes that a successful future awaits it. He expressed himself desirous of beginning work as soon as possible.

MC KINNEY PRIZE SPEAKERS

McKinney Prize Stage speakers were announced after chapel Friday morning as follows: Juniors—Cavanaugh, Clum, Dodge, T. B. Jones; Sophomores—MacKie, Stratton, Spinning, Welsh; and Freshmen—Burke, Kneeland, Martin, Turner.

HAMILTON VERSE ON PRESS

"A Book of Hamilton Verse—1917," edited and compiled by Prof. Paul A. Fancher, is in the hands of the printer, and will come from the press about the last of May. The volume will contain about one hundred and seventy-five pages, bound in dark blue cloth with the title stamped in gold. The price of the book is one dollar and twenty-five cents ($1.25) postpaid, and the sale will be in the hands of Prof. Fancher. The entire profit from the sale of the book will be devoted to the maintenance of the Hamilton ambulance in France.

All of the verse is the work of undergraduates or alumni who have graduated during the past six or seven years. A large amount has been written especially for the book.

—The first of a series of "Sings" was held on the steps of the Y. M. C. A. Sunday night. Clum, '18, led the singing.

CHARLATANS PICK CAST FOR COMMENCEMENT

Rehearsals for Two Plays Begin at Once—All Work Entirely by Charlatans

Parts for the two plays to be given Friday evening, June 15th, of Commencement Week by the Charlatans were assigned at a meeting held at the Psi U House last Friday. All the leading speaking parts were filled and rehearsals will begin at once.

The cast for "The Monkey's Paw" by W. W. Jacobs is as follows: Mr. White, Ives, '19; Mrs. White, Dodge, '18; Herbert, Bristol, '17; Sergeant, Baumer, '17; Mr. Sampson, Brockay, '17.

For "King Argimenes" by Lord Dunsany: King Argimenes, Woolnough, '17; Zarb, Dodge, '18; Old Slave, Link, '18; Young Slave, Martin, '20; King Darniac, Baumer, '17; King's Overseer, Brockway, '17; Prophet, Burke, '20; Idle Guard, Nino, '20; Queens, Fuller, '19, VanNorden, '20. Yeandle, '18, will be stage manager of the first play, and Fuller, '19, of the second.

Several new methods will be followed in the production of the two pieces. The Charlatans themselves plan to erect a portable stage in the gymnasium with all equipment. In addition no outside help will be sought in designing scenery and costumes. The characters of the two plays selected is such that their strongest appeal should be to the alumni.

NICHOLS RESIGNS

Heyl Nichols, '16, has resigned his position as field secretary of the college to accept an excellent position with the Swift Packing Corporation. He will leave to locate in the home offices in Chicago sometime after college closes, at a time when the work of organizing the 1921 class is complete.

—Prof. Frederick M. Davenport delivered a patriotic address before a meeting of the Knights of Columbus in Utica Thursday night.

'LIT' SHOWS POWER OF SELF DEFENSE

So Says Reviewer Who Finds a Great Deal of Merit in This Month's Publication

He is a bold man who consents to hurl the thunderbolts as reviewer of "Lit," when the author of "The Lightning Strikes; A Reply," has just shown that the critic's prospective victims are not without power of self-defense. Did all the contributors to the magazine wield as keen a pen as does this unknown author, there would be less occasion and opportunity for destructive attacks from the skies. His gentle bit of repartee is one of the cleverest articles which "Lit" has offered in many a month. To the reviewer his defense of the publication seems plausible enough. It is true that the college furnishes the editors with little material from which to select for publication; the reader may well wonder that the literary diet set before him is as varied and satisfying as it usually is. This month five of the ten signed articles are the work of the editors themselves, whom we can hardly expect to be always ready with a clever story or a striking sonnet. A plea for more generous support of "Lit" seems timely, especially now that some members of the college feel that time will hang heavily on their hands for the rest of the college year.

The leading tribute to "Our Prex" is excellent. It expresses the sentiment of the college to a nicety and might well be signed by everyone from the Dean down.

The little play is rather convincing. The reviewer can not help wondering, however, whether it is customary for the commander of a German submarine to talk over his love affairs with the members of his crew.

Similar comment must be made on "Light Through the Fog." The plot is developed to a satisfying climax; but it is a pity to mar a good story by such an untoward event as the desertion by a high-spirited British soldier of his post when under fire, and the

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RECORD CROWD OF SUB-FRESHMEN EXPECTED MAY 12

Sub-Freshman Day on the Hill, May 12, will probably see the biggest crowd of possible Hamilton men that has ever been entertained by the undergraduates. A series of six circular letters that was sent during the winter to six hundred sub-freshmen has brought many replies, and doubtless will bring many men to the Hill for the festivities of May 12.

Heyl Nichols Busy

With the opening of the roads, Field Secretary Nichols has been able to reach many schools in outlying districts by auto. He is now making follow-up calls, and directing his attention to the brighter prospects. The declaration of war will probably affect the size of the class, both because economy is necessary and because many men will probably enlist or be conscripted.

The annual Interscholastic Speaking Contest will take place Saturday morning, when first prize-winners in the preliminary contests in Rochester, White Plains, Endicott, and Utica, will participate. The baseball game with St. Lawrence will be the attraction in the afternoon, and probably an interclass meet will take place after that. Friday night there will be a big college dinner.

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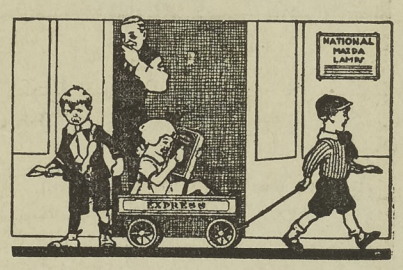

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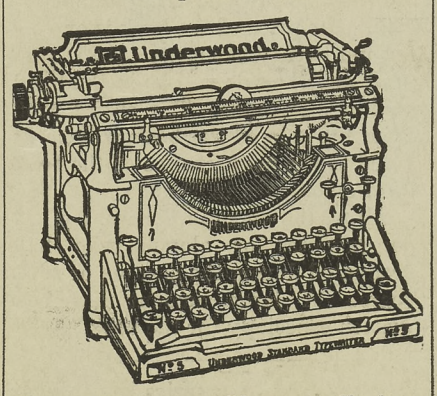

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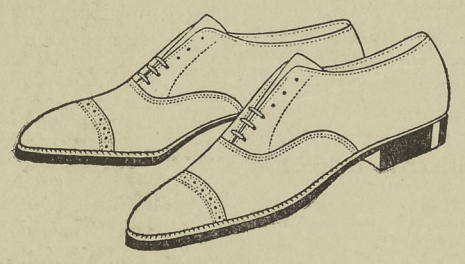

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EDITORIAL

To Our New President

To our new president **Life** wishes to be among the first to extend a hearty grip of welcome and of assurance that the college body will be behind him when he takes up his new duties. Dr. Ferry, you are entering upon your presidency in trying times. Some of us—yes, even the majority of us—may not be here to welcome you next fall. But when the atmosphere does clear again, as it surely will, and when the sons of Hamilton once more return to the old hillside, then, Dr. Ferry, under your leadership we are sure that Hamilton will march forward turning out men worthy of this new age of democracy upon which we are entering.

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The Curriculum.

In the April meeting of the Trustees last week there was some strong sentiment expressed in favor of more radical changes in entrance requirements and curriculum—changes which, if they had been adopted, would have so torn down the traditions of Hamilton that our older alumni would have had difficulty in recognizing their Alma Mater. **Life** is not opposed to advancement, but when advancement becomes a rout it is time to call a halt.

An A. B. without Greek, neither Latin or Greek required in college for graduation in any course, a unit system for graduation which allows a student to carry as few as nine hours, were some of the changes so seriously considered that some energetic radicals practically had them incorporated in the new catalog. In the last year our entrance requirements have come down with a bang. The tendency of the age is to bid for more students with the bars of the gate to the ground. We are rapidly tearing down our fences until we are destroying the very essence of this old Lady of the Hill.

It is not our purpose to go into long arguments for the small classical college. You are acquainted with them, or if not you can find much material among prominent educators. The point is that there are still many mothers and fathers in this country who have faith in the classical education for their children and who find that the classical colleges are rapidly becoming business schools with commercial law and book keeping substituted for Greek and Latin.

We shall not prosper by following the herd in mad panic. That only means that we all shall be commercialized and the same old struggle for students on a more businesslike basis will commence again. Hold back, aloof; there is still a place for our college with its distinctive classical atmosphere.

Not that we are arguing for strict adherence to the good old customs of 1812. Perhaps we do emphasize language too much at Hamilton. But rather remedy this by giving more leeway in electives in upper classmen years than by permitting the freshman to become a senior and a Hamilton graduate without ever having delved into the mysteries of Homer and Plato, or Livy and Horace.

"LIT" SHOWS POWER OF SELF DEFENCE.

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unnecessarily fantastic device of having Zeppelins drop anchor over the fog of London.

This month's verse is distinctly above the average. "My Garden" and "Evening Prayer" are delicately and skillfully executed. Moreover, Mr. Peck's poem, "The Flag Speaks," is a real prize. The authors of the other verses should not feel offended at being reminded that vers libre is caviar to the general, that a tour de force is usually of interest only as a literary curiosity, and that successful nature poetry can be produced only by a real artist. "Sunrise on the Jungfrau" is a creditable attempt, but its author has produced less artificial verse.

We hope that in after years "The Eleven" will blush when they reread "This Year's Phi Beta Kappa Crop." The skit reveals cleverness and bad taste in equal degree. It may be permissible to think, "Lord, I thank Thee that I am not as other men are," but courtesy forbids that such sentiments be uttered. To print them is unpardonable.

The essay on Shakspere's character Henry the Fifth presents a fresh point of view on a rather hackneyed subject. It would be more effective if the conclusion were recast so as to remind the reader less vividly of the final rebuttal speech in a debate.

The editorial sections and special departments are this month quite up to their usual standard. Nevertheless it would be gratifying if the alumni editors would paint in less rosy colors their accounts of everything done by our graduates. It tends to make a man ridiculous when his acceptance of a minor position with a great corporation is described as tho he had become one of the directors.

It would be a pleasure to read an issue of "Lit" which had been swept clean of typographical errors. This month we have our usual misspelled words, and a singular subject with a plural verb appears on page 328. Such things are hard to guard against. The editors of "Lit" no doubt do as well as the managers of most college publications. We believe that they want to excel, hence our criticism. This is a good number of "Lit", better than last month's. Will the next be better yet?

EDWIN L. CLARKE.

HAMILTON HOLDS OWN IN BRANCHES OF ARMY

While Never Noted as Military College, She is Well Represented in Military Circles

While Hamilton has never been noted as a military college, many alumni have entered various branches of the military service of this country, and at present are stationed all over the United States even to the Philippine Islands. Much has been told about the patriotism and heroism of our graduates in time of war, but little is known of their military service in peaceful days.

The highest military office today held by a Hamilton man is the rank of Colonel, and this honor goes to Col. Charles H. Hitchcock, '79, of the First Regiment N. Y. N. G. In Company H of this regiment is Capt. Mossman McLean, '09, Lieut. Floyd McLean, '08, and C. W. Yeomans, '92, Quartermaster-Captain of the Regiment.

In the Officers' Reserve Corps are Capt. Elihu Root, Jr., '03, Capt. Goss Stryker, '01, and Capt. Lloyd Stryker, '06. Warfield, '00, now a captain in the artillery, is at present in charge of Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. H. H. Pritchett, '04, is a lieutenant in the Fifth Infantry, U. S. A.

Besides the officers in this country, Hamilton men are doing service in the American possessions. Capt. Glen F. Jenks, '01, is in the Ordnance Department of the Army in Manila, P. I. Lieut. D. S. Root, '12, is also stationed in Manila. In the Canal Zone is Lieut. F. M. Barrows, '07, of the Fourth Field Artillery.

The army has been far more popular with Hamilton men than the navy, but W. P. Sedgwick, ex-'03, who left college to enter Annapolis, is now an ensign in the United States Navy. "Cupie" Hill, ex-'18, is on the "Wasp" with Farrar, '20, doing patrol duty along Long Island Sound.

Hamilton has always been famous for its ministers, and three graduates are now acting as chaplains in the army. Rev. Maj. Leslie R. Groves, '81, is now chaplain at Fort Lawton, Seattle, Wash., Rev. Barton W. Perry, '91, is at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas, and Rev. William A. Aiken, '95, is chaplain for the troops stationed in Honolulu.

—A short poem by Clinton Scollard, '81, entitled "Roses in the Rain" appears in the May issue of Harper's magazine.

—The Musical Club were welcomed in Rome Saturday night by a large audience. Realizing that this was their last concert for the season the Clubs put some real vim into their program, which went off with unusual snap and smoothness.

Spice o' Life

On the Hike

"Cash Paid for Hides"—Sign at Franklin Springs.

Sez Supe: "They can have mine if they wait five minutes."

But the climax last week was ye sight for ye Gods; when Major Mistake (alias Trot) had his picture took, all alone in his glory.

Beach: "Corporal, can I do picket duty?"

Hawkes: "Yes, go sit on that fence."

Moore: "Becoming a member of the avaition corps is too much like becoming a corpse."

The Dissenting Voice

Supe: "Now see if you can't make a production out of this."

From the rear: "What? With MacKie in it?"

Tomper is Right

He wants to revise the "I. D. R."

Long John says that of all commands, "Fall out" and "dismissed" sound best to him.

After seeing Bob Patterson in a military uniform, we all know why he always wears a high stiff collar.

Brock: "Who gave you your physical examination, Les?"

Les: "A doctor at the State Hospital."

Brock: "Are you sure you didn't try an examination for the insane asylum?"

Speaking of Dance Girls

Keeler asks the question, "Is he her woman?"

Adventure of the Nearsighted Student

"I beg your pardon Dr. Shepard," murmured the N-S student, as he backed away from the falls at the Oriskany dam.

Jones tried to get into the aviation corps because he figured it was elevating.

Speaking of the Bull

Grant, in New Rochelle: "I'm not very hungry, I had a light lunch at the Astor at five o'clock. I was in quite a hurry, so I had my taxi wait."

Beach, seeing a man plowing: "There's a man drilling."

Bratton: "Kingsbury is due for a breakdown."

Spinning: "Is it?"

Bratton: "Yep. Too much Pioneering(?) in Utica."

Poetic Imagination

Willis Jones: "What are the wild winds saying?"

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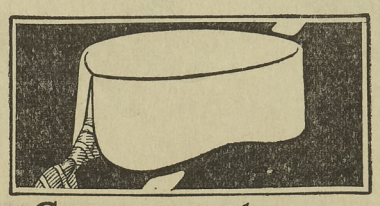

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SENIORS PLAN LIFE CAREERS

Enlisting is Paramount at Present but Usual Callings will Take Most at End of Term

"If I have not enlisted—" is the way in which most of the Seniors start to tell what they will be doing next summer. "Johnnie" Jones has already enlisted in the Lewis machine gun corps at Utica, and Hamlin, Dayton, Lewis, Brockway, Donohue, and Donoghue have taken examinations to enter the Officers' Training Camp. Baumer will probably go into military service, and Muir will enter army Y. M. C. A. work as soon as he regains his health. Stackhouse and Truax are uncertain as to the future but will probably locate in some training camp.

The usual large number expect to teach in the fall unless they are called to the colors. W. K. Jones has the most novel position of teaching English in Chile. Pohl will go to Montana to teach Math and German if he can escape all the German detention camps between here and there. Lyon will teach oral English and Physical Training in Hudson Falls, and Emeny will conduct the history department at Newark, N. Y. Woolnough is going to teach in Canandaigua, and Meola, Yule, Tallmadge, Musselman, Horton, Holden, and Norton are just going to be "professors", but are still undecided which of the "calls" to accept. Most of them will study or go into some general business during the summer.

Foremost among those who will continue study is Griffith, who won the Rhodes Scholarship in New York State this year, and will study at Oxford University, England. Campbell will continue Greek at Princeton under the Locke Fellowship, and Saunders will specialize in Physical Science at Harvard under the Root Fellowship. Harvard will also find Squires studying law, and Miller medicine. Patterson will continue at Columbia, Leonard will do advance studying "somewhere", and Behan's dad will keep him in Troy studying law "at the office."

Among those who have become attached to a business firm are Weed, who will be in the sales department of the Grosset & Dunlap Publishing Co., in New York, and Bristol, who will hold a chair in the New York offices of the Bishop Calculating Record Co. Dise is going with his father in the Gilbert Knitting Mills at Little Falls, and Shields will enter one of the knitting mills in Pittsburg. Luce will be in the New York offices of the Fleischman Yeast Co., and Adams will enter the hardwood floor business with his father in either Boston or Springfield.

Moore, Pendleton, Seaver, Whitman, and Young intend to enter the business field, but are not yet located. Young expects to stay in the East instead of returning to wild Nebraska. Bissell is not settled, and Hood is determined only that he will not enter the ministry, contrary to the general opinion. On the other hand Boyce expects to enter the Auburn Theological Seminary.

LIEUT. BETCHER OF WEST POINT HELPS IN DRILLING OF HAMILTON'S BATTALION

Army Man on Hill Yesterday and Sunday Gives Many Valuable Pointers—Krag Rifles Expected Soon—Uniforms With Exception of Hats and Leggings Here

Sunday and yesterday Hamilton's battalion was fortunate in having Lieut. A. J. Betcher, instructor at West Point, on the Hill to lecture and to help in combat work. Drill yesterday was shifted to the morning in order that the battalion might have the full benefit of Lieut. Betcher's instruction. It was necessary for him to return to West Point early in the afternoon.

Rifles and Uniforms

A hundred Krag rifles and miscellaneous parts of about 120 uniforms which have not yet arrived are expected on the Hill within a week, providing no delay arises from the Government's demands on the various supply houses thruout the country. Altho the battalion now lacks complete equipment, the drilling daily increases in scope.

The hundred rifles were secured thru the influence of Elihu Root, who is now trying to secure enough to equip the entire battalion. These guns are second only to the Springfield rifles and are full calibre. For practicing Prof. Chase announced that the men would be able to use the Utica range. The greater part of the uniforms are in the hands of Bursar Coughlin, but he has been disappointed on the shipment of leggings and hats. Mr. Coughlin is going to New York this week and will try to hasten the shipment.

Examining Physician

An examining physician will be on the Hill for some time, beginning Sunday. All are requested to make an appointment for a physical examination while he is here. Those men who are in doubt as to their physical condition should go first. A record of all men will be taken and kept by this examiner. The committee of the Trustees to secure a military instructor has made no announcement but Mr. Charles B. Rogers of that committee is in Canada on business and may also see about securing an officer.

As the men round into shape, the more complicated and practical extended order work will be taken up. The first hike was taken Tuesday. These hikes will rapidly increase in number and length. Friday the battalion heard a talk in the Chapel by C. H. Minor, '02, who told of his experiences in Paris at the outbreak of the war.

The above cut shows the battalion passing in review before the Trustees last week.

LIBRARY PRIVILEGES ABUSED

Woolnough as Member of Honor Court Warns College

As a representative of the Honor Court Woolnough, '17, spoke to the college body Thursday morning about the misuse of the honor system in drawing books from the library. The names of about forty students are on the list posted in Chapel for overdue books. Several students have been slack in returning books even after being notified, and their carelessness has caused Prof. Ibbotson considerable difficulty.

The use of the library was put on the honor system two years ago and, altho the rule has been frequently violated, no case has been brought before the Honor Court. The penalty for offense is deprivation of library privileges for not more than one college year. Woolnough announced that two weeks would be allowed for the return of all overdue books, and that thereafter all violations of the rule would be brought before the Honor Court. If this plan is not satisfactory, the use of library books will be put back under the fine system.

—John Weaver, '14, has been promoted to the staff of book reviewers on the Chicago Daily News.

—Jack Otto, ex-'17, who returned from the border recently with Troop I of Buffalo, is doing patrol duty in the southern part of the state.

—Rev. Theodore F. Jessup, '64, died at his home in Boonville Saturday night, April 21st, after a long-continued illness. Throughout his college course Mr. Jessup held an excellent scholarship record, and after graduation entered the Union Theological Seminary. He filled pastorates in Kansas and Illionis for several years and came to Boonville in 1887, where he served twenty-nine years as pastor of the Presbyterian Church. He was an influential man in his community and a prominent figure in the Presbytery.

BALL SCHEDULE MUCH REDUCED

Only Two Games During May Due to Cancellations and Faculty Rulings—St. Lawrence Unknown Quantity

Faculty ruling against all home games except on Saturday and against games away from Clinton combined with cancellations by other colleges has reduced the baseball schedule to a contest with St. Lawrence May 12, and the Union game at Schenectady on Decoration Day. The two games with Colgate listed for June 16, in Commencement Week, will probably be played. Manager Kelly states that he is endeavoring to arrange for every Saturday from May 12 on, but has not yet succeeded in doing this. Rochester has dropped all intercollegiate athletics, thereby cancelling the game for May 16, and Manager Kelly was obliged to cancel the trip to Troy the following week.

Altho the baseball team is greatly handicapped for practice hours due to military drilling, Coach Dexter and Captain Behan are well satisfied with the progress made by the squad. The coach was on the Hill the entire afternoon Thursday, and after a hard practice game, he put the infield thru a stiff workout to develop speed in fielding the ball. Under the present system of drill, it is almost impossible to get in practice on Wednesday and Friday, when the drill is not dismissed until 4:30.

St. Lawrence

It is impossible to get much of a line on the St. Lawrence team which will come to the Hill a week from Saturday. The Scarlet has abolished all track work and taken up military drilling since the Easter recess. Baseball practice has not been suspended, but no games have been played, and in the words of Hill News: "Athletics at St. Lawrence have been forced into the background by the institution of military drilling, which has become the chief topic of interest among the students."

WORK ON ATHLETIC FIELD

Is Getting Under Way at Approach of Spring

Weather conditions again permit work on the new athletic field to be resumed. The entire field was leveled and a layer of fertilizer thrown over it last fall. The wooden rail has been laid around the inside of the entire quarter-mile track, and all of the slag has been drawn in. Cinders and clay will soon be placed over the slag, and then rolled. The 220-yard straightaway along the southwest side of the field is laid out and smoothed off, but still requires a layer of clay.

Contractor Dawes will have men working on the field all summer, but it will not be ready for use much before football season opens. It has been decided not to erect the large concrete grandstand for the present on account of the scarcity of labor. Its construction will probably not be undertaken until next year.